

FIRE-RESCUE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES

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Prepare for Severe Storms or Hurricanes

Know your Risk

Find out how much rain and wind to expect, start preparing now, and monitor weather.

Make an Emergency Plan

Make sure everyone in your household knows and understands your plan. Don't forget a plan for the office, kids' daycare, and anywhere you frequent.

Gather Supplies

Have enough supplies for your household, include medication, disinfectant supplies, cloth face coverings, pet supplies in your go bag or car trunk.

• Those with Disabilities

If you or anyone in your household is an individual with a disability, identify if you may need additional help during an emergency. PLAN AHEAD!

Recognize Warnings and Alerts

Have several ways to receive alerts. Download the FEMA app and receive real-time alerts from the National Weather Service. Be aware of the Emergency Alert System and Wireless Emergency Alert. REMEMBER POSSIBLE POWER OUTAGES - NO TV! HAVE A BATTERY RADIO WITH EXTRA BATTERIES!

• Review Important Documents

Make sure your insurance policies and personal documents (Example: Your ID) are up to date. Make copies and keep them with you or in a secure, password-protected digital space.

• Strengthen your Home

Declutter drains and gutters, bring in outside furniture, consider hurricane shutters.

Get Tech Ready

Keep your cell phone charged when you know a storm or hurricane is in the forecast and purchase backup charging devices to power electronics.

• Help your Neighborhood

Check with neighbors, senior adults, or those who may need additional help securing storm or hurricane plans to see how you can be of assistance to others BE GOOD NEIGHBORS!

• Prepare your Business

Make sure your business has a continuity plan to continue operating when disaster strikes.

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